

**EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PROCLAMATIONS OF
GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS
ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR
PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)**

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Editor's note: In accordance with A.A.C. R1-1-109(D), the following Executive Order is republished to correct printing errors in the text and replaces Executive Order 2001-05 published at 7 A.A.R. 1572, April 13, 2001.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2001-05

Amending Executive Order 98-7

ESTABLISHING A GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE FOR THE CANAMEX CORRIDOR

WHEREAS, the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) created a preferential trade relationship between Canada, Mexico and the United States and a key component of its successful implementation is the efficient flow of goods, services, people and information between the participating nations; and

WHEREAS, trade corridors are geographically designated areas that facilitate the national and transnational movement of goods, services, people and information; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona will initially focus on three key components that a viable trade corridor includes, but is not limited to: (1) Transportation: Comprised of a well developed physical infrastructure including rail, ports of entry, inspection facilities and sea linkages; (2) Commerce: Comprised of an established commercial infrastructure and appropriate trade incentives, including distribution and warehousing facilities, foreign trade zones, business development and professional business expertise, coordinated economic development activity, and a harmonized regulatory environment; and (3) Communications: Comprised of a regionally integrated technological infrastructure including information technology and all other modes of communication, and well-developed social, political and business linkages throughout the corridor; and

WHEREAS, the CANAMEX Trade Corridor is a strategic trade corridor located in the western portion of North America linking western Mexico to western Canada through the states of Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Idaho and Montana; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona acknowledges that the successful development of the CANAMEX trade corridor would activate and accelerate economic activity throughout the corridor and surrounding areas, and accordingly the State of Arizona is committed to facilitating the development of the CANAMEX Corridor; and

WHEREAS, the ability to provide direct access to multiple markets and regional transportation distribution centers is critical to a trade corridor's success; and

WHEREAS, certain highways in the CANAMEX trade corridor must be improved to promote access between markets, reduce freight transportation costs and enhance the CANAMEX region's competitiveness. Transportation infrastructure improvements critical to the development of the CANAMEX Corridor include, but are not limited to, the construction of a bridge over the Hoover Dam to accommodate large volumes of commercial truck traffic and the expansion of US 93 to a four lane divided highway; and

WHEREAS, under the National Highway System Designation Act, the CANAMEX Corridor was given "high priority designation," and continues to have "high priority designation" in the TEA 21 legislation; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona understands that financial and non-financial support from stakeholders located throughout the CANAMEX Corridor is vital in order to complement other federal, state and provincial trade and transportation initiatives,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Dee Hull, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor by the Arizona Constitution and the laws of the State, do hereby order a Task Force to serve the purpose of coordinating statewide CANAMEX Corridor efforts and coordinating with other applicable states and provinces in the development of the CANAMEX Corridor. This Task Force is to be known as the Governor's CANAMEX Corridor Task Force, under the jurisdiction of the Governor.

- 1) The Task Force shall initially be comprised of eighteen members to be appointed by the Governor.
 - (a). The Governor shall serve as chair of the Task Force. If the occasion arises, the Governor may designate another member of the Task Force to chair meetings.

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- (b). The Task Force will include the Governor's Executive Assistants for Transportation, Information Technology and Mexico Policy.
 - (c). The Task force will include the Directors of the Arizona Departments of Public Safety, Transportation and Commerce or their designees.
 - (d). The Task Force will include one member of the Arizona-Mexico Commission, one member of the Arizona Board of Transportation, the Executive Director of the CANAMEX Corridor Coalition, and the Governor's NAFTA Implementor.
 - (e). The Task Force membership will also include eight at-large members representing the business and academic communities and the general public.
 - (f). The Governor may appoint additional at-large members to the Task Force as deemed necessary and appropriate.
 - (g). The Governor may appoint members of the Arizona Legislature to serve as non-voting, ex-officio representatives to the Task Force.
 - (h). The Task Force shall establish three standing committees: a Steering Committee, a Transportation Committee and a Commerce and Telecommunications Committee to assist with the performance of the duties of the Task Force. Committees shall be comprised of members of the Task Force and additional ad hoc members appointed by the committees as needed.
- 2). Members shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
 - 3). Except for the agency directors, members shall not send alternates to represent them at Task Force meetings.
 - 4). The Governor may engage other entities to carry out duties and functions of the Task Force.
 - 5). The Task Force shall advise the Governor on all matters of the CANAMEX Corridor development and strategy for the State of Arizona:
 - (a). The Task Force will consult and coordinate with all the states and provinces within the CANAMEX Corridor. Those involved states and provinces may include, but are not limited to Nevada, Utah, Idaho, Montana, the Mexican States of Sonora, Sinaloa, Nayarit, Jalisco, Guanajuato, Queretaro, Estado de Mexico and Mexico D.F., and the Canadian Provinces of British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan, with the goal of creating a multi-state/province coalition that will pursue corridor-based objectives at the local, state and federal levels.
 - (b). The Task Force will work with the Arizona Department of Transportation, the Arizona Department of Commerce, the Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Public Safety and the Arizona Congressional delegation to identify funding sources for infrastructure projects of strategic importance to the corridor's development, such as the integration of regional distribution centers, the completion of the bridge over the Hoover Dam, improvements to US 93, construction of the I-10/I-19 Interchange and the widening of State Route 85 to four lanes between Interstate 10 and Interstate 8.
 - (c). The Task Force will identify those cooperative opportunities to be undertaken by the Executive branch with the Executive Branches of the other interested states and provinces in the CANAMEX Corridor.
 - (d). The Task Force, in cooperation with the Arizona Legislature, applicable Arizona agencies; representatives of other interested states and provinces within the CANAMEX Corridor, will identify potential inter-regional legislative or policy initiatives that support the development of the CANAMEX Corridor, and will work to support implementation of such initiatives.
 - (e). The Task Force will identify those Corridor-based Arizona initiatives best suited to be undertaken by the business community and other community organizations.
 - (f). The Task Force will prepare for the Governor a comprehensive strategic plan for the development of the CANAMEX trade corridor within Arizona including:
 - (i). An analysis of the opportunities resulting from the development of the CANAMEX Trade Corridor and identification of existing impediments thereto;
 - (ii). A recommendation of initiatives to be pursued by the executive and legislative branches, the private sector, city and county governments and others;
 - (iii). A strategy for the implementation of such initiatives;
 - (iv). Identification of financial and infrastructure needs to meet the objectives established by the Task Force;
 - (v). Any other initiatives or studies that the Governor may request.
 - (g). The Task Force will identify and solicit financial support from the public and private sector throughout the CANAMEX Corridor.
 - (h). The Task Force will prepare for the Governor an annual report of its activities to be submitted no later than December 31 of each year. Copies of the report shall be distributed to the Secretary of State, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Director of Library, Archives & Public Records.
 - 6). Plans and decisions made by the Task force are subject to approval by the Governor.
 - 7). The Governor's CANAMEX Corridor Task Force shall be reviewed no later than December 31, 2002 to determine appropriate action for its continuance, modification or termination.

Jane Dee Hull
Governor

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this Seventh Day of March Two Thousand One and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty-Fifth.

ATTEST:

Betsey Bayless
Secretary of State